IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application of: Mataya, Robert F.

Examiner: Lars Olson

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Passageway In A Watercraft

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed February 15, 2005, please amend the aboveidentified application in accordance with the amendments and remarks as set forth herein.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begin on page 2 of this document.

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Remarks/Arguments begin on page 7 of this document.